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TITLE OF INVENTION: OLIGOMERS AND POLYMERS CONTAINING HYDROLYSATES AND/OR CONDENSATES OF EPOXIDE GROUPS AND SILANE GROUPS, METHOD FOR THEIR PRODUCTION AND USE THEREOF

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(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

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1. A This communication is responsive to <u>amendment dated 4.</u>	<u>/20/11</u> .		
2. X The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-3,6-18,21 and 23-26.			
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EXAMINER'S COMMENT/REJOINDER/REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

1. This office action is in response to amendment filed on 4/20/11. Claims 1-3, 6-18, 21, 23-26 are now pending in the application with claims 16-18 withdrawn from further consideration pursuant to 37 CFR 1.142(b) as being drawn to a nonelected invention, there being no allowable generic or linking claim.

2. In view of the amendment, all rejections set forth in the office action dated 1/20/11 are withdrawn.

REJOINDER

3. Claims 1-3, 6-15, 21, 23-26 are directed to an allowable product. Pursuant to the procedures set forth in MPEP § 821.04(B), claims 16-18, directed to the process of making or using an allowable product, previously withdrawn from consideration as a result of a restriction requirement, are hereby rejoined and fully examined for patentability under 37 CFR 1.104.

Because all claims previously withdrawn from consideration under 37 CFR 1.142 have been rejoined, the restriction requirement as set forth in the Office action mailed on 12/3/10 is hereby withdrawn. In view of the withdrawal of the restriction requirement as to the rejoined inventions, applicant(s) are advised that if any claim presented in a continuation or divisional application is anticipated by, or includes all the limitations of, a claim that is allowable in the present application, such claim may be subject to provisional statutory and/or nonstatutory

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double patenting rejections over the claims of the instant application. Once the restriction requirement is withdrawn, the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 121 are no longer applicable. See *In re Ziegler*, 443 F.2d 1211, 1215, 170 USPQ 129, 131-32 (CCPA 1971). See also MPEP § 804.01.

Reasons For Allowance

- 4. Claims 1-3, 6-18, 21, 23-26 are allowed.
- 5. The following is an Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance:

The presently cited claims are allowable over prior art to Matsumura et al. (US 6,676,740 B2) and Yamaya et al. (US 6,846,568 B2).

The Matsumura et al. reference discloses coating compositions comprising (A) 100 parts by wt. of an organosilicon compound having a hydrolysable group-bearing silyl group, and (B) 0.1 to 50 parts by wt. of a hydrolytic condensate of a reaction product and/or a mixture of a diketone with a mixture of titanium tetraalkoxide and an alkoxide of Zirconium, Fe, AL, Zn, In, Si, Sn, W and Mg (ab., col. 4, lines 43-54, claim 3). Disclosed working examples 18-21 include copolymers having γ -methacryloxypropyltrimethoxysilane or vinyltrimethoxysilane, methyl methacrylate, ethyl acrylate, vinyl acetate and glycidyl methacrylate, and having a solution viscosity of 43,000 to 39,700 centistokes.

The Yamaya et al. reference, also to the same assignee, discloses similar compositions comprising a hydrolysable silyl group-bearing acrylic polymer-containing composition in cured form. The acrylic polymer may be prepared from alkoxysilyl group-bearing acrylic monomers and copolymerizable monomer (meth)acrylate monomers such as methyl methacrylate and

glycidyl methacrylate. Working example 3 discloses a free radical polymerization of the three monomers (col. 23), a polymer having a molecular wt. of 125,000 and subsequent hydrolysis/condensation in the presence of acetic acid (col. 23, col. 27). However, neither the Yamaya et al. nor the Matsumura et al. reference discloses compositions comprising epoxy- and silane-functional oligomers or polymers having a number average molecular wt. in the range of 800 to 3,000 Daltons as claimed presently.

Therefore, the presently claimed invention is deemed allowable over closest prior art of record as per said art neither anticipating nor rendering obvious, alone or in combination, the presently claimed invention.

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Conclusion

6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Satya Sastri at (571) 272 1112. The examiner can be reached on Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays, 7AM-5.30PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Mr. David Wu can be reached on 571-272-1114.

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/Satya B Sastri/

Primary Examiner, Art Unit 1762